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**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1 – 39 (Cancelled)

Claim 40. (Currently amended) A method for preparing a catalyst composition comprising the steps of:

- (a) mixing an olefin polymerization catalyst with an activator;
- (b) adding ~~a first solid~~ an acid compound;
- (c) adding a ~~second solid~~ base compound; wherein during the preparation the first acid and second base compounds do not react with each other to form a polymerization catalyst inhibitor below an onset temperature.

Claim 41. (cancelled)

Claim 42. (Cancelled)

Claim 43. (Original) The method of claim 40 wherein the method comprises the additional step of adding a support.

Claim 44. (previously amended) The method of claim 43 wherein following step (a), the mixture of the polymerization catalyst and the activator are combined with the support.

Claim 45. (previously amended) The method of claim 40 wherein the first and second compounds do not react at polymerization operation temperature.

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Claim 46. (Original) the method of claim 40 wherein the polymerization catalyst is a bulky ligand metallocene-type catalyst compound.

Claim 47. (Cancelled)

Claim 48. (previously amended) The method of claim 40 wherein the first compound has at least one -OH functional group.

Claim 49. (previously amended) The method of claim 40 wherein the second compound has at least one =O functional group.

Claims 50 – 55 (Cancelled)